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1. To meet the demands of trade both in China and abroad the Trade Ministry has ordered the School of Commerce in Tientsin to enlarge its student body to 2,000, commencing with the coming term, and to make special efforts to enroll persons already experienced in handling commodities and in foreign trade. Enrollment of such students has already commenced in Tientsin, Shanghai and Hankow. With the decline in the amount of trade handled by private firms and the increase in that handled by government enterprises as a result of the five-anti's campaign there had been a steadily increasing shortage of trained personnel.
2. The Trade Ministry established the School of Commerce in about mid-1950, and since that time more than 2,000 graduates had completed six-month courses and had been assigned to serve in various localities. The school is divided into departments such as Commodities, Accounting, Statistics, International Trade, and Transportation.

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Comment. A New China News Agency radio broadcast of 30 May Peiping reported that 2,000 cadre members had been selected for government offices and the armed forces for further business training to meet the needs of the economic construction program.

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